

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

DEVITO VERDI, INC.,

Plaintiff,

-against-

GARDNER-WHITE FURNITURE
COMPANY, INC,

Defendant.

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ORDER OF DISMISSAL

MARY KAY VYSKOCIL, United States District Judge:

This case was removed on February 6, 2020 [ECF #1]. The Court extended Defendant's deadline to respond to Plaintiff's complaint, until March 20, 2020, based on the parties' representation that they were attempting to reach a settlement [ECF #10, 14]. However, two months after the deadline, Defendant had not filed an answer, or requested a further extension of time to do so, and Plaintiff had not moved for a default judgment [ECF #15].

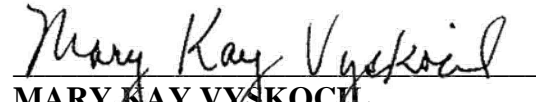
In an Order dated May 21, 2020, the Court directed Plaintiff to file any motion for a default judgment by May 27, 2020 [ECF #15]. The Court stated that failure to move for a default judgment might result in dismissal of this action for failure to prosecute. Nearly five months later, Plaintiff had not filed a motion for default judgment, requested an extension of time to file such a motion, or taken any other action to prosecute this case.

Thus, in an Order dated October 20, 2020, the Court directed Plaintiff to file a letter, by October 26, 2020, showing cause why this case should not be dismissed, pursuant to Rule 41(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for failure to prosecute [ECF #16]. To date, Plaintiff has neither responded to the Court's Order to Show Cause, nor taken any other action to prosecute its case.

The Court has considered the factors required by Second Circuit case law for dismissal pursuant to Rule 41(b), and the Court finds that dismissal is warranted. *See Baptiste v. Sommers*, 768 F.3d 212, 217 (2d Cir. 2014). Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case is dismissed, with prejudice, for failure to prosecute.

SO ORDERED.

Date: December 4, 2020
New York, NY


MARY KAY VYSKOCIL
United States District Judge